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TITLE: MANDIBULAR STAPLE IMPLANT

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I. EFFECTIVE DATE

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II. PROCEDURE CODE(S)

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III. DESCRIPTION

Reconstruction of mandible, extraoral, with transosteal bone plate (e.g., mandibular staple implant bone plate).

IV. POLICY

Mandibular staple implants are not covered because their primary purpose is to prepare the mouth for dentures, a service which is excluded by CHAMPVA.

END OF POLICY